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C O N F I D E N T I A L LONDON 19630

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MILI, ETEL, UK

SUBJECT: REALIGNMENT OF NAVAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM

REF: (A) CINCUSNAVEUR 161937Z DEC 75 (NOTAL); (B) LONDON  
18078 (DTG 241900 NOV 75)

1. REF (A) (WHICH WE UNDERSTAND IS AVAILABLE IN OSD) CONTAINS CINCUSNAVEUR PROPOSED TEXT OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS RESPONSE TO INQUIRIES ABOUT REALIGNMENT OF NAVAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS INVOLVING LONDONDERRY AND THURSO.

2. EMBASSY CONCURS IN DRAFT PRESS RELEASE AND QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS WITH EXCEPTION OF ANSWER THREE. WE SUGGEST THAT SECOND SENTENCE BE MODIFIED TO SAY, "ALMOST TWO YEARS AGO ON 10 APRIL 1974..." WE CONCUR THAT IF ASKED US SHOULD NOT WITHHOLD INFORMATION ON EXPLOSION AT MICRO-WAVE TOWER, BUT WE THINK THAT THIS ANSWER SHOULD EMPHASIZE HOW LONG AGO IT TOOK PLACE IN ORDER TO DEMONSTRATE THAT THIS INCIDENT WAS NOT CONNECTED WITH THE DECISION TO  
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REALIGN NAVAL COMMUNICATIONS IN THE UK.

3. WE ALSO NOTE THAT PRESS GUIDANCE DOES NOT CONTAIN REFERENCE TO ENVIRONMENT AND INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT WHICH PELLEW MENTIONED AS DESIRABLE (PARA 2 REF (B)). IF USG DECIDES NOT TO INCLUDE SUCH A REFERENCE, WOULD APPRECIATE GUIDANCE FOR RESPONSE TO FCO ON ITS OMISSION.

4. AS SOON AS A FINAL USG CLEARANCE ON DRAFT PRESS RELEASE RECEIVED, WE WILL PRESENT IT TO FCO PER REF (B) FOR UK COMMENTS.  
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